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ther show that

Edwards also

faces a felony

failure to appear

22, Elba Police

this week.

Elba, Alabama

Thursday, December 28, 2023

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Elba Police Officers make drug arrests ahead of Christmas

Two Elba men remained session of marijuana - secin the Coffee County Jail ond degree [\$6,000 bond], early this week following certain persons forbidden to their arrests last Wednesday, possess a firearm [\$7,500

Dec. 20, on distribubond, and mistion of illegal drug demeanor poscharges. session of drug According to the paraphernalia [\$1,500 bond]. Jail records fur-

Coffee County Jail roster, Nicholas Lane, age 27, of Elba was arrested by Elba Police and booked as an inmate in the county jail shortly after 7 a.m. last Wednesday. His charges included two counts of distribution of a controlled substance [\$30,000 bond each], possession of marijuana first degree [\$7,500 bond], and misdemeanor possession of drug paraphernalia [\$1,500 bond]. Jail records further

show that Lane has three bond revoca-

tion charges against Less than two hours later, Savion Edwards, age 25, of Elba also was booked

ing his arrest last Wednesday Hughes was released from each of the high schools in by Elba Police. His charges the county jail Christmas Coffee County to the dayinclude distribution of mari- Day, Dec. 25, after posting long event during which juana [\$30,000 bond], pos-bond.

into the county jail follow- \$6,000.

Man formerly from Elba dies following **Houston County automobile accident**

A two-vehicle crash that occurred at approximately 8:20 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 23, claimed the life of a Dothan man.

Milan W. Marler, age 93, of Dothan (formerly from Elba) was critically injured when the 2018 Toyota 4Runner, he was a passenger in, collided head-on with the 2000 GMC C1500 pickup driven by Harvey D. Burch Jr., age 65, of Gordon. Marler was transported to Southeast Health in Dothan, where he was later pronounced deceased.

The driver of the 4Runner, Rita M. Watford, age 68, of Dothan and Randy E. Watford, age 64, also of Dothan were both injured and transported to Southeast Health for medical treatment.

The crash occurred on Alabama 53 near the 15 mile marker, approximately one mile south of Dothan, in Houston County.

Burch was also injured and transported to Southeast Health. He later was charged with murder in the death of Milan Marler and booked into the Houston County Jail on a \$150,000 bond.

No further details have been released by the Alabama Law Enforcement Agency.



Coffee County Youth Leadership members meet with, from left, Coffee County Commissioner Jim Thompson, Both remained Commission Chairman Dean Smith, Commissioner Jimmy Jones and Coffee County Probate Judge Jodee Thompson in the county jail during CCYL Government Day during their recent "government day" field trip.

CCYLP students meet with current county leaders

On Friday, Dec. Story and Photos by Michelle Mann

arrested Thomas Hughes, age 33, "The only reason we of Elba, for pos- exist is to serve the citisession of a con- zens," Coffee County trolled substance Administrator Rod Morgan and possession of told Coffee County Youth drug parapherna- Leadership team memlia. Bond for the bers during the group's controlled sub- "Government Day," held stance possession Wednesday.

charge was set at "Public service is a call-\$15,000 while the ing and a responsibility," bond for the mis- said Morgan, who serves as demeanor drug county administrator, chief paraphernalia operating officer and county charge was set at attorney, as he welcomed the high school juniors from they had the opportunity to learn about those who serve

Leadership Program is an intensive eight-month leadership program that prepares skills," he said. "The mis- Mauldin says the objec- Thompson, Dean Smith and CCYLP Coordinator Gavin strated leadership potential pations. designed to introduce the 25 in different industries, and schools and communities." levels.



Michael Walters during the recent CCYL Government Day

developing their leadership and Elba.

ership session per month Coffee County officials mentally incompetent by a Mauldin said the school and are required to com- remind voters that Monday, court

NOTICE:

will be closed Friday,

Dec. 29, and Monday,

Deadlines for the Jan.

4th paper will remain the

same - all advertising and

news due before noon on

Γuesday, Jan. 2, 2024.

Jan. 1.

County Commissioners Jim

to see how leadership works in improving their homes, Feb. 12th is deadline to register to vote

year-long experience helps plete a community service Feb. 12, at 4:30 p.m. is the Voters who want to update the students build strong project in order to gradu- deadline for registering to their voting information to relationships with their ate from the program which vote in time for the March reflect a change in name peers and make connectis comprised of students 5, 2024 Primary Elections. or address should contact tions with county leadfrom each high school in The Board of Registrars' the Board of Registrars. The ers. "Hopefully, they get Coffee County, to include office is located in the telephone number for the a better understanding of Kinston, New Brockton, Coffee County Complex, Board of Registrars is 894the community while also Zion Chapel, Enterprise, E. McKinnon St., New 5347. Brockton, AL.

> Any person may register contact: to vote, provided they: • are a citizen of the Registrars The Elba Clipper office

United States: • live in Alabama (and the Highway 84W county of registration);

• are at least 18 years old Alabamians may obtain felony conviction; and

high school students to take sion of the Coffee County tive of the youth leadership Jimmy Jones; Probate Judge active leadership roles Youth Leadership Program class is also to introduce Jodee Thompson; Coffee in their homes, schools, is to prepare high school young people to a host of County Engineer Michael and communities, said students who have demon- different careers and occu- Walters; and Emergency Management Agency Mauldin. "The program is to hone and develop that Wednesday's Director and Deputy potential and, as a result, Government Day included Directors James Brown and students selected each year take active leadership roles visits with Morgan; Coffee Grant Lyons, respectively.

on the city, county and state Students attend one lead in Alabama's March 5 Primary Elections

For further information

Coffee County Board of

4 County Complex, New Brockton, Al

on or before election day; an application or register to • are not barred from vot- vote online at https://www. ing due to a disqualifying sos.alabama.gov/alabamavotes/voter/register-to-vote. • have not been declared They may also obtain a voter registration application at Driver License Offices, Libraries, and at Alabama Public Assistance offices such as Medicaid, WIC and DHR.

Area Happenings

City of Elba offices will be closed Monday, Jan. 1, in observance of New Year's Day. The city's garbage truck [Thursday, Jan. 4th ediwill run its normal pickup schedule on this day.

Coffee County offices will be closed Monday, Jan. 1 in observance of New Year's Day. There will be no residential garbage pickup on this day for county residents. All county garbage pickup will shift one day to the right for the week (example Monday's normal pickup will be on Tuesday, Tuesdays normal pickup will be on

Wednesday, and so on).

Next Week:

The Elba Clipper will take a look back at the "headlines" from the Year 2023 in our annual Year in Review special



tion Wednesday, Dec. 13, for the Elba Branch of Troy Bank and Trust, two monetary donations were presented to local organizations. Jeff Kervin (right), president and CEO of Troy Bank and Trust presented \$500 checks each to the Elba High School Alumni Association and the Elba Food Bank. The checks were accepted by Linda Hodge (center), president of the Elba High School Alumni Association, and Tommy Grimes (left) representing the Elba Food Bank. Above, Grimes explains how the \$500 in money could be turned into over 2,000 pounds of food for those in need. The check for the alumni association will be used to help supplement the association's scholarship funds.

EDITORIAL

Elba Police Report

Department from Tuesday, Saturday, Dec. 23 -

Dec. 19, 2023, through Suspicious person report-

from the Coffee County reported at 15045 Hwy

Tuesday, Dec. 19 - complaint reported on

Traffic accident reported County Rd 417 (1:23

Traffic accident reported at a verbal warning.

Suspicious circumstanc- (10:03 p.m.).

verbal warning.

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activity for the Elba Police Hwy 84 (5:20 p.m.).

BRAINSTORMS

With Ferrin Cox

Just a quick update - Mr. Ferrin continues to improve syrupy pies and other food from oven cleaners. Most skin, eyes or airway. If swal- and swelling, and lead to and reportedly is "behaving" while staying at daughter has led people to use oven oven cleaners have high pH lowed, oven cleaners can deeper, more severe burns. Michele's home during his medical recovery. Following cleaners to dissolve baked- levels, making them caustic. cause vomiting and burns to When inhaled, oven a doctor's visit last Thursday afternoon, he even made a on food and grease. quick stop by The Elba Clipper office to check on things! Again, many thanks for all the prayers being sent up on his behalf - they are truly felt and appreciated.

We do hope everyone enjoyed celebrating the birth of our Savior while also spending precious time with family during your Christmas holiday. Now, our attention turns this week to closing out a very eventful 2023 while ringing in 2024! We hope you all have safe celebrations for New Monday, Dec. 25, 2023, as ed at Hwy 84 and Hwy Year's Eve and New Year's Day...and, don't forget to eat reported to and dispatched 189 (9:22 a.m.); Burglary those blackeyed peas for good luck!



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Linda Hodge - EDITOR

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ADPH says "be safe" when using oven cleaners During the holiday sea- public to follow all instruc- smoke results when it burns can lead to swelling, which

911 Dispatch Center –

Elba (8:57 p.m.).

son, many household ovens tions and heed all product off. get increased use, and the safety warnings to avoid Oven cleaners can cause cause the person to drool. A The Alabama Department used and the cleaner has not the digestive tract.

27 (11:33 a.m.); Animal

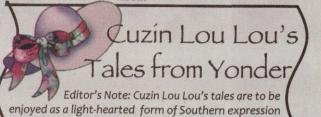
resulting spills from fatty contact with eyes, skin and burns or irritation of any burn in the skin can cause meats and poultry, cheeses, nose and breathing fumes exposed tissue—the mouth, redness, peeling, blistering When an oven cleaner is the lips, mouth, throat and cleaners can irritate air-

the lips can cause swell- breath. ing, redness and blistering in the mouth and throat. A This report reflects Reckless driver reported on chemical burn in the throat

can block the windpipe and

ways, causing symptoms toms are mild, a burn on chest pain to shortness of

See ADPH, Page 3



at 2908 Lower Curtis Rd p.m.); Trespassing reported (9:06 a.m.); Suspicious at 1015 Farris Ave (1:52 took a quick trip last week- it out where they would vehicle reported on Taylor p.m.); Suspicious person end prior to celebrating be meeting friends that Mill Rd (5:44 p.m.); reported on Taylor Mill Rd Christmas. They went to a were experienced patrons... Reckless driver reported on (7:55 p.m.); Noise comcollege football bowl game! the only way she could get

Hwy 84 W coming into plaint reported at 2695 One of the team's playing Sister to agree to go. Marilyn St (10:27 p.m.). was Lou Lou's college alma Several swings into the Wednesday, Dec. 20 - One traffic stop resulted in mater, but unfortunately, game, and it was easy to the good guys did not bring see Sister was indeed hav-Hwy 84 and Hwy 87(2:25 Sunday, Dec. 24 - home the win that day. Oh ing fun! When Lou Lou p.m.); Burglary reported Traffic accident reported well...can't win them all. asked her about it...she hesat 331 Putnam St (10:00 on Taylor Mill Rd (3:30 Nevertheless, Lou Lou and itated for a moment, but p.m.); Animal complaint Sister had a blast on their then conceded that it was Thursday, Dec. 21 - reported at 1007 Neil little trip.

at 992 Hwy 203 Suite 1 Suspicious person reported eral friends on Friday night agreed to go again in the (1:45 a.m.); Animal com- at 412 N Claxton Ave (7:17 to have a little fun at the near future! plaint reported at 1316 Neil p.m.); Harassment report- Top Golf venue. This was a Sister's favorite part of the Grantham Dr (9:12 a.m.); ed at 1544 Edgewood Dr new adventure for Lou Lou entire trip, however, proband Sister.

Five traffic stops resulted at 154 Yelverton Ave (1:37 because she had watched velvet cheesecake at the in two written warnings, a.m.); Abandoned vehitoo many social media vid- Cheesecake Factory! Sister and three verbal warnings. cle reported at 990 Hwy eos of folks messing up at had been talking about that Friday, Dec. 22 - 203 (2:19 a.m.); Traffic Top Golf and falling into the cheesecake for weeks, and Suspicious vehicle reported accident reported at 558 safety nets. Well...after get- she said it did not disapa.m.); Suspicious vehicle Domestic disturbance ing it out, Sister admitted 'different' flavor of cheesereported at 2210 Taylor reported at 1623 Parker that someone had to be cake from her norm for this Mill Rd (4:15 a.m.); St – w/arrest (3:50 p.m.); "trying to fall" to end up in trip, and it too was scrump-Harassing communications Reckless driver reported the nets. She also admit- tious! reported at 343 Brunson on Hwy 84 (6:57 p.m.); ted to "having fun" at even One thing is for sure – the Circle (8:30 a.m.); Reckless Domestic disturbance though she didn't want to cheesecake at Cheesecake driver reported on Hwy reported at 911 Reese Ave admit it because that would Factory never disappoints! 84 (11:39 a.m.); Burglary (10:27 p.m.); Domestic dismean Lou Lou was right. Lou Lou and Sister can't

St (2:02 p.m.); Suspicious Reese Ave (11:16 p.m.). been trying to talk Sister how good the cheesecake person reported on Reese Two traffic stops resulted into visiting Top Golf for was because Papa will get Ave near levee (2:03 p.m.); in one citation, and one quite some time now, and a 'little salty' over it. While

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a lot more fun than she had Suspicious person reported Grantham Dr (3:34 p.m.); The two met up with sevimagined. Even better, she

es reported at 1050 Neil Monday, Dec. 25 - Prior to arriving, Sister football game. She got to ably came after Saturday's Grantham Dr (8:20 p.m.). Suspicious person reported was a bit apprehensive devour her beloved red at 595 Collier St (12:21 County Rd 401 (2:38 p.m.); ting there and actually try-point.Lou Lou even tried a

reported at 1584 Caroline turbance reported at 911 You see...Lou Lou had brag too much though on the answer was always no. they were enjoying the cheesecake goodness, he was back home granddog sitting the little monster.

Truth be told, however, he was most likely just as happy getting Little Bean's full attention during the time Lou Lou and Sister were out of town as he would've been chowing down on a piece of tasty cheesecake...well...maybe.

We'll just go with that and not say too much more about it. Next time, Papa will just have to go too to be sure to get his own piece of cheesecake heaven.

Until next time...God



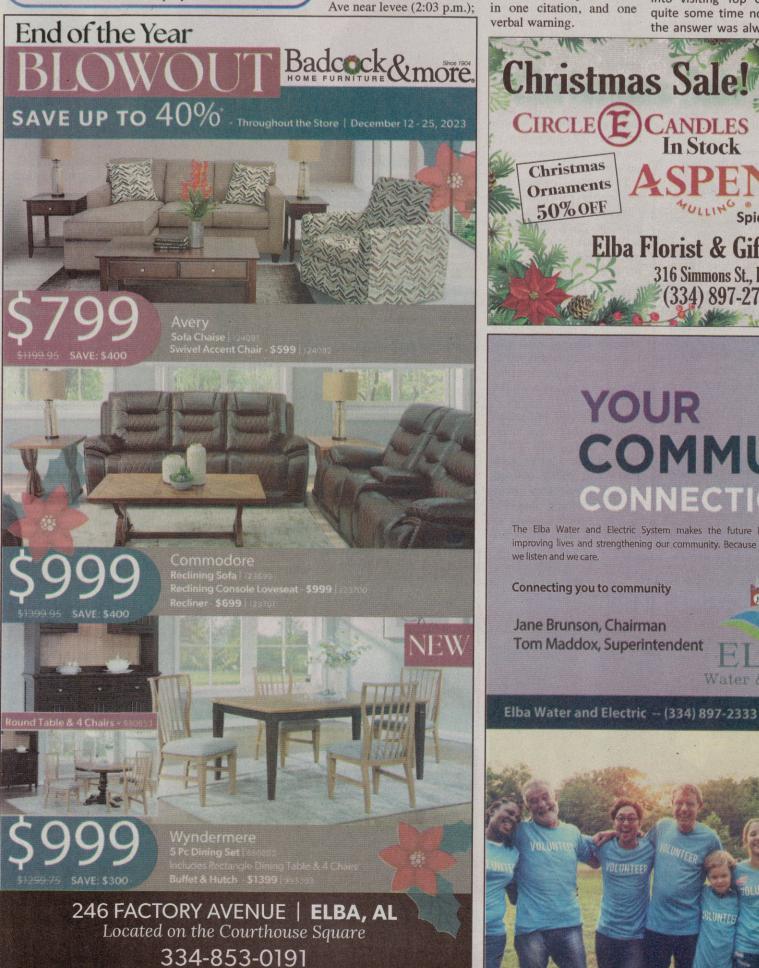
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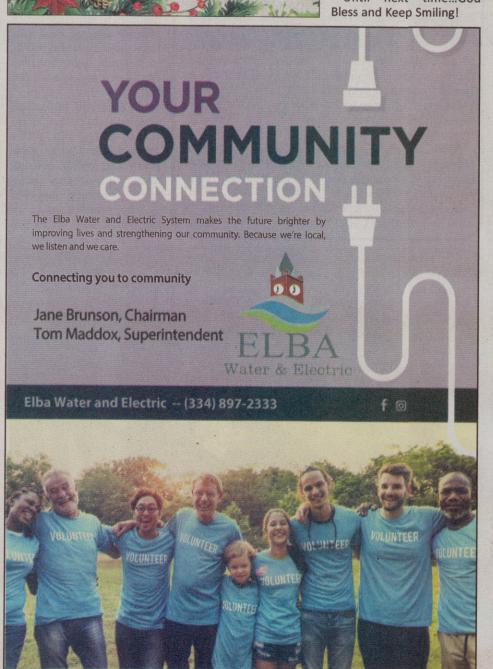
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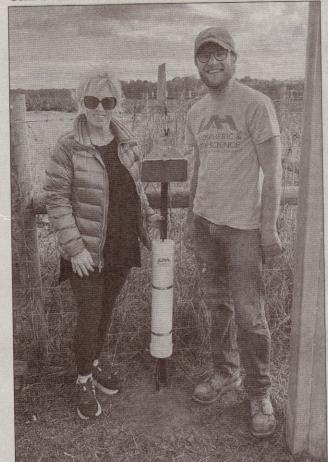
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Shown in photo: Lisa Harris, CPYRWMA director, and Dr. Lee Ellenburg, UAH scientist

Four soil moisture and temperature sensors installed in Choctawhatchee, Pea and Yellow Rivers Watershed 11 great-grandchildren and (Athena) Campbell, Ramer, rera, Hoover, Ala.; along Visitation was at Hayes

ence Center Research Sci- of missing data. entist and Associate State Real-time data from the BETTY HARRELSON Climatologist Dr. Lee soil moisture sensors exam- CAMPBELL Watershed Management events, soil type and veg- expectedly Authority (CPYRWMA) etation and can measure Friday, Dec. installed four soil mois- moisture content from the 15, 2023, at ture and temperature sen- surface to approximately Baptist Hossors within the CPYRWMA two feet below ground.

were developed by Ellen- sensors will enhance the

Department of Agriculture scribed burns.

UAH Earth System Sci- (USDA), leaving large gaps dren.

The soil moisture sensors CPYRWMA director, the ery, Ala.

(Continued from Page TWO)

ber of calls we have mai received at the Alabama is also needed; however, Poison Information Center, oven cleaners should not we often have multiple be used to clean air fryers. exposures reported dur- Precautions include wear-Pescatore, Clinical your lungs. Director at Alabama Make sure to have ade-Poison Information Center quate ventilation, and call at Children's of Alabama. poison control if ingested. "Most exposures result The 24/7 toll-free number from spraying oven clean- for the Alabama Poison ers and forgetting to wipe Information Center at off or inadequately remov- Children's of Alabama is

oven for cooking.'

"In reviewing the num- Proper cleaning and ance of air fryers ing one call because entire ing thick, long protective households are shar- gloves, safety glasses, and ing oven-baked items," possibly a respirator to said Jessica (Rivera) avoid chemicals entering

ing them prior to using the 800-222-1222 for poison advice for all ages.



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For further information or to purchase a license, please contact Sandra Berry at (334) 897-2333.

> City of Elba, AL Sally Bane, City Clerk

Obituaries

Mrs. Annie Max Bal- tinued to pursue her educa- Ala. lard, age 89, of Elba, Ala., tion at Troy State Universidied Tues-

19, 2023, at her home in Elba, Ala. Funeral services

Friday, Dec. 22, 2023, from ed States Air Force. She the Chapel of Hayes Fu- was an active member of neral Home with Rev. Fred Bradleyton Baptist Church Fowler officiating. Com- where she served as secremittal services followed tary and treasurer for many Dec. 28, 2023, from the LARRY JAMES SMITH in the Mt. Gilead Baptist years. Church cemetery.

ed in death by her husband Campbell, Ramer, Ala., Adkins officiating. Burial died Saturfather - Sam Carroll Luverne, Ala.; daughter: Baptist Church Cemetery 2023, at his Strickland, mother - Ida Jondra (Ken) Oswalt, Tal- with Hayes Funeral Home residence. Bell Strickland, daughters lassee, Ala.; granddaugh- directing. Helen and Glenda Sue ters: Elizabeth (Matt) Mc- Visitation will be at services will Ballard, and 11 siblings. Caskey, Cumming, Ga., Hayes Funeral Home on be held Thursday, Dec. Survivors include her Breanna (Zach) Kelley, Thursday, Dec. 28, from 28, 2023, from the Chapel sons: Heath (Becky) Bal- Tallassee, Ala., Landie 1-2 p.m. nie Ruth) Ballard, Opp, verne; grandsons: Justen Elba; daughters: Kristy Marler officiating. Burial

Ellenburg, along with staff ine how soil moisture varies Betty Harrelson Camp- Jace, Colton, Kade, Hayfrom the Choctawhatchee, across the landscape of Alabell, age 80, a resident lee, Anslee, Tenlee, Khami CAREL DEWAIN Pea and Yellow Rivers bama depending on weather of Grady, Ala., died un- Rae, and was anxiously POLING JR.

pital South According to Lisa Harris, in Montgom-

Funeral burg's team at UAH. agency's Flood Warning services were held Satur-Funded by the Nation- System and provide valu- day, Dec. 23, 2023, from al Oceanic Atmospheric able information to citi- Hayes Funeral Home in Administration's Office of zens, including farmers and Elba, Ala., beginning at 11 Oceanic and Atmospheric foresters. Data about how a.m., with Rev. Jesse Kirk-Research's Weather Pro- quickly soils dry out during land and Rev. Kenny Horn gram Office, Dr. Ellenburg growing season dry spells officiating. Burial followed is leading the effort to help helps farmers become more in the Beaverdam Cem-

build a large network of drought-resilient and bet- etery under the direction services will be announced Brooks Poling; brothers soil moisture sensors across ter characterize drought of Hayes Funeral Home. for a later date by Hayes David Goff and Tony Polthe Southeast. Currently, impacts when seeking Those wishing to make Funeral Home of Elba. ing; sister - Carol "Peachy" there are only 18 soil mois- federal assistance. The memorial contributions are Gary was preceded in Romanish; and a grandture sites installed across data also aids the Forestry asked to do so to the Beadeath by his father, Bobby Alabama's 52,000 square Commission when making verdam Cemetery fund. Mills. miles by the United States decisions pertaining to pre- Betty was a 1961 graduate Survivors include his of Brantley High School mother: Delores Mills, and and upon graduation at- sister: Lynn Mills, both of

tended Massey Draughn Hoover, Ala.; along with a Ask Heath Heath Wyrosdick, Funeral Director/Emb

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the joy of acknowledging kindness and nurturing our community bonds. The Importance of Acknowledgement: A Personal Touch: In an era of instant messaging and emails, a andwritten thank you note stands out. It's a personal acknowledgment

f someone's effort and kindness. Fostering Community: Thank you notes go beyond mere etiquette; they are a way of nurturing relationships and strengthening community ties. Reflecting and Appreciating: Writing these notes allows us to reflect or the good times shared and express gratitude, a practice that enhances our own well-being

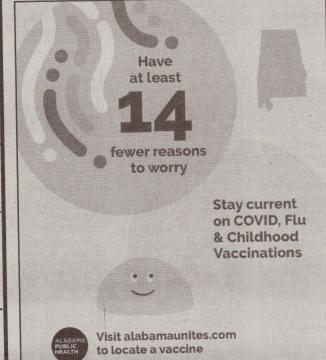
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personality of the recipient or the nature of the gift/event. Eco-Friendly Options: Consider sustainable options like recycled paper or digital thank you notes for an eco-conscious choice. Sample Wording Suggestions to help get you started:
For a Gift: "Dear [Name], your thoughtful gift truly made my holiday special. Thank you for your kindness and for always knowing how to

For Hosting an Event: "Thank you, [Name], for opening your home and heart this holiday season. Your warmth and hospitality were the highlights

of our festive celebrations For Friendship and Support: "In this season of gratitude, I'm reminded of how much your friendship means to me. Thank you for being there

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ANNIE MAX BALLARD Business School. She con- brother: Larry Mills, Elba, daughter - Kennedy Astem-

ty-Montgomery, where she LUCIEN GERALD obtained an associate de- POLK



Thursday, Chapel of Hayes Funeral Mr. Larry James Smith, Survivors include her Home in Elba beginning age 67, of Mrs. Ballard was preced- sons: Gregory W. (Molly) at 2 p.m. with Rev. Greg Elba, Ala., - Herbert "Hub" Ballard, Mike (Dedee) Campbell, will follow in the Fairview day, Dec. 23,

great-grandchildren: Jaxon, grandchild.

ninth great grandchild; two Jr., age 58, of Elba, Ala., sisters-in-law: Foy and died Mon-

2023, at his residence. Mr. Gary Mills, age 62, A Celebraof Daleville, Ala., died tion of Life early Thurs- service will day morn- be held at a

ing, Dec. 21, later date. Hayes Funeral 2023, at the Home of Elba is serving the Elba Nursing Poling family.

& Rehabilita- Mr. Poling was pretion Center. ceded in death by his par-

Survivors include his wife: Deborah Poling, Elba; daughter: Kristy (Angree in computer science. Mr. Lucien Gerald Polk drew) Astemborski, Elba; She worked in Civil Ser- age 70, of Elba, Ala., died son: Carel (Sarah) Poling Friday, Dec. III, Elba; sister: Debra Mi-22, 2023, at hal, Akron, Ohio; brothers: his residence Clint Poling, Brian Poling, and Tracey Poling, all of Funeral Akron; along with grandservices children: Browdy, Cole, will be held Piper, Lily, Mayvis & Ava.

of Hayes Funeral Home in lard, Opp, Ala., Wayne Campbell, Wetumpka, Survivors include his Elba, beginning at 10:30 Ballard, Elba, Jacky (An- Ala., Lauren Payton, Lu- son: Bryan (Beth) Polk, a.m., with Rev. Donnie Dennis (Tammy) Ballard, (Lacey) Campbell, High- Dawson, Ozark, Ala., and will follow in the Newbia Elba; nine grandchildren, land Home, Ala., Arlan Mary Lou (Daniel) Her- Baptist Church Cemetery. two great great-grandchil- Ryan Campbell, Killeen, with 10 grandchildren, 10 Funeral Home on Wednes-Texas; Nathan Oswalt, Augreat-grandchildren, and day, Dec. 27, from 5-7 p.m. burn, Ala., Trey Oswalt, he was anxiously awaiting Survivors include his Salem, Ala.; along with the arrival of his 11th great- wife: Gerotha Smith, Elba; daughter: Cynthia (Joseph) Sanders, Sutherland, Va.; son: Joseph (Lanette) Smith, Zion Chapel, Ala., awaiting the arrival of her Mr. Carel Dewain Poling granddaughters: Alexis (Tallon) Sanders, Twentynine Palms, Calif., Imberle Sanders, Troy, Ala., Valarie Sanders, Sutherland, Va.; and grandsons: Cody (Lexi) Sanders, Dinwiddie, Va., Caleb Sanders, and Colton Sanders, both of



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CHURCH & AREA NEWS

Reflections

by Michael J. Brooks, Pastor Siluria Baptist Church

Roots

Alex Haley grew up in Henning, Tenn. where his grandfather taught him about his ancestry, including "the African"—an ancestor rumored to have come to America as a slave. Haley spent 10 years researching and discovered this mysterious ancestor. Kunte Kinte was abducted in 1767 at age 17 and brought to the American colonies.

Haley published "Roots" in 1976. His story became the very first television mini-series the next year, riveting the nation.

The gospel writer Matthew began his narrative with a look at Jesus' roots, beginning with Abraham and concluding with Joseph and Mary. It's unusual that he included five women in this ancestry. Mary we know, but perhaps the other women we know least.

Tamar's story is in Genesis 38. She was widowed, fearful and vulnerable, and she disguised herself as a harlot to seduce her father-in-law Judah. She was about to be stoned as an unmarried woman with child but used something of an ancient paternity test to show that Judah was the father. Their eldest son, Perez, was included in the lineage of the messiah

Rahab, likewise, had a shameful past. She was the harlot of Jericho who had a premonition that the Hebrews would prevail in the upcoming battle. She hid Joshua's spies and made a pact with them that she and her family be saved. She married a Hebrew and was included in the lineage of the messiah

Ruth, from Moab, was widowed and determined to return to her mother-in-law's native village, Bethlehem. There she met and married Boaz, the son of Rahab. Ruth and Esther are honored as the only women in scripture to have books named for them.

And Matthew obliquely mentioned Bathsheba as "Uriah's wife." King David, the man after God's own heart, "loafed, looked, lusted and lied" as Baptist preachers are wont to say. The child of this illicit union died, but the second child, Solomon, was included in the lineage of the messiah.

Matthew's story has at least two lessons.

The first is that though Ruth was righteous, all four women were sinners, as are we all. God must use dirty vessels in his work since these are the only vessels

The second is that two of the women, Ruth and Rahab, weren't native Hebrews, but were included in the Hebrew messianic lineage.

The apostle Paul argued that the death of Christ brought Gentiles (non-Jews) into the Hebrew family, allowing both to share the promises made to Abraham. We are "Abraham's seed" and "heirs" of the promise. In Christ, all are invited to God's family (Galatians 3).

As Pastor Rick Warren said, "No matter what your background is, the ground is level at the foot of the

"Reflections" is a weekly faith column written by Michael J. Brooks, pastor of the Siluria Baptist Church, Alabaster, Alabama. The church's website is siluriabapust.com.





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Praised. (Psalm 48:1-14) the impossible happen. Thinking of You! Praying for You.

Gwen Jones Berry, Wendy Wood, Alice Musgrove, Nicole Duncan, Helen Question / Answer Thigpen, Christina Wood, Section Rosemary Edwards, Tarell Q/A for the Week of

December Birthdays / Anniversaries Tom Hooks 12/23 Tamariah Samuel 12/24 Qura Lamortis Warren

Shane Warren 12/24 Sean Warren 12/24 Arianna E. Kelley 12/25 Shane Williams 12/25 Chris Harrison 12/26 Jordan Douglas 12/27 Cavosea Stinson 12/27 Karizmah Y. Magwood 12/27

Rob & Diana Stinson Satan doesn't mind your 12/27 W.A.

Out of the Ashes

a year old when his fam- of 1/4/24 ily's house caught fire, True or False leaving him scarred and disabled. Growing up in Sadducee. with the police. He lost sonally the use of an arm in a Q: The sheep will not folknife fight. He eventually low a stranger. descended into a life of substance abuse.

Then Peter found the Lord. grateful. Peter eventually became a Eria's Daughter, Sue probation officer, working in dangerous communities, drug rehabilitation centers, and prisons. He founded a ministry called Out of Ashes, which uses the transforming power of the gospel to rescue people from the consequences of their poor, sinful deci-

Isaiah predicted that the Messiah would ocme in the midst of a seemingly hopeless situation, but the Lord specializes in bringing hope out of

hopelessness! When all

CHURCH Julian Mitchell, Pastor

CHURCH

Scripture: Great is the options seem exhausted, Lord, and greatly to be He has ways of making Gladwin discovered that the Lord remains our first and final hope. Have you?

12/28/23 Multiple Choice

Q: The one who does not love, does not know whom? (God, Paul, Anyone)

A: God [1 John 4:8] Q: Jesus told Nicodemus that for people to enter the Kingdom of God they had to be born of what? (Pick Two – water, oil, the spirit, air, sin) A: water/the Spirit [John

Thought to Remember

commitments as long as you don't keep them.

Peter Gladwin was barely **Ouestions for the Week**

Q: Nicodemus was a

a rough neighborhood, he Q: John claimed to have was frequently in trouble seen God the Father, per-

Today is a good day! Be

Military Support

Group Meetings in Enteprise:

Enterprise Military upport Group meets on Tuesdays at 7 p.m. Anyone who needs to talk about difficult experiences and needs an understanding friend is invited. Meetings at Church on Boll Weevil Circle, 2017 Boll Weevil Circle, Enterprise, Ala.

IN HIM WAS COVENANT COMMUNITY **Church Directory** LIFE AND Paul Jackson, Pastor Sunday Fellowship . 9:30 a.m. Sunday Worship . . 10:00 a.m. Wed. Night "Peak of the Week & meal 5:30 p.m. Bible Study & Prayer . . . 6:15 p.m. until 7:00 p.m. DAMASCUS BAPTIST DAMASCUS BAPTIST DAMASCUS BAPTIST Wed. Bible Study . . 6:00 p.m. Paul Jackson Pastor THE LIFE WAS THE LIGHT OF MEN

Rockey Pearce, Pastor

ABUNDANT CHURCH SAMSON, Ala. Richard Thorn Sr., Pastor

Deborah A. Butler, Pastor
Sunday School ... 10:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship ... 11:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship ... 11:00 a.m.
Wed. Bible Study .. 6:30 p.m.
Wed. Bible Study .. 6:30 p.m.
FRIENDSHIP HOLINESS

Wed. Bible Class . 6:30 p.m.

BETHANY BAPTIST CHURCH
Greg Cotter, Pastor
Sunday School . 9:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship . 10:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship . 10:00 a.m.
Disciple Train . 5:30 p.m.

Disciple Train . 5:30 p.m.

ELBA CHURCH OF GOD
OF PROPHECY
H.L. Buckner, Pastor
Sunday School . 10:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship . 11:00 a.m.
Thur. Night . 7:00 p.m.

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Sunday North Of GODS POWER HOUSE
EVANGELISTIC CHURCH
OVErseers - Billy Berry
Sat. Service . 6:00 p.m.
Sunday School . 10:00 a.m.
Sunday School . 10:00 a.m.
Thur. Night . 7:00 p.m.

Sunday North Of CHRIST
OVERS WAY CHURCH

Sunday School . 10:00 a.m.
Bible Study . 5:00 p.m.
Even. Service . 5:00 p.m.

Even. Worship . 11:00 a.m.
Bible Study . 5:00 p.m.
Wed. Prayer Meet . 6:00 p.m.
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BLUFF SPRINGS

Wed Prayer Service 6:30 p.m.

CHESTNUT GROVE

nday School . . . 10:00 a.m. 2nd & 4th Sundays CORNERSTONE BIBLE

Sunday School . . . 10:00 a.m. Sunday Worship . . 11:00 a.m. Wed. Night. 7:00 p.m.

ELBA DELIVERANCE GRACE FELLOWSHIP TABERNACLE Allen Richards, Pastor

ELBA Ist ASSEMBLY OF GOD
Dwight Johnson Pactor
Marvin Luckett Jr., Pastor

ELBA FIRST BAPTIST
CHURCH
Kit Johnson, Pastor
Sunday School 9:00 a.m.
Wed. Service 6:00 p.m. Remonia Smith, Pastor Church Service 9:00 a.m.

> Wed. Bible Study . . 6:00 p.m. Even. Service .

ELBA ZION BAPTIST CHURCH Lovell Martin, Pastor

Wed. Bible Study ... 6:00 p.m.

BETHLEHEM BAPTIST CHURCH Sunday School ... 10:00 a.m. Morn. Worship ... 11:30 a.m. Wed. Bible Class ... 6:30 p.m.

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BETHANY BAPTIST CHURCH Service 6:30 p.m.

Wed. Bible Study ... 6:30 p.m.

FRIENDSHIP HOLINESS CHURCH Service ... 5:00 p.m.

Edward E. Drake, Pastor Sunday School ... 10:00 a.m. Sunday Service ... 10:30 a.m. Sunday Service ... 6:00 p.m.

Wed. Bible Class ... 6:30 p.m.

BETHANY BAPTIST CHURCH Service 6:30 p.m.

FRIENDSHIP HOLINESS CHURCH Derrick Stinson, Pastor Sunday Service ... 10:30 a.m. Sunday Service ... 10:30 a.m. Sunday Service ... 6:00 p.m. Thurs. Service ... 6:00 p.m.

GODS POWER HOUSE EVANGELISTIC CHURCH Service 6:30 p.m.

LIVING WORD CHURCH Derrick Stinson, Pastor Sunday Service ... 10:30 a.m. Sunday Service ... 10:30 a.m. Sunday Service ... 6:00 p.m. Thurs. Service ... 6:00 p.m. Wed. Youth Service 6:00 p.m. NEW CHAPEL PARTICLE CHURCH Service 9:00 p.m. NEW CHAPEL 9:00 p.m. NEW CHAPEL PARTICLE PARTICLE

LOVE'S WAY CHURCH John Curtis Isaacs, Pastor Sunday School . . . 10:00 a.m. Morn, Worship . . . 11:00 a.m. Charles Jones, Pastor
Sunday School . . . 10:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship . . . 11:00 a.m.
Sunday Evening . . . 6:00 p.m.
Wed. Service 7:00 p.m.

Dwight Johnson, Pastor Sunday School . . . 9:30 a.m. Morn. Worship . . 10:30 a.m. Even Service . . . 6:00 p.m.

Sunday School . . . 9:00 a.m.

Morn. Worship . . 10:00 a.m.

Even. Service 5:00 p.m.

HAM UNITED

METHODIST CHURCH

Wed. Prayer Meet . . 7:00 p.m. MT. ZION BAPTIST Wed. Prayer Meet . . 7:00 p.m.

CHURCH
Will Jordan, Pastor Lovell Martin, Pastor
Sunday School 9:45 a.m.
Morn. Worship . . . 11:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship . . . 11:00 a.m.

Morn. Worship . . . 11:00 a.m.

Morn. Worship . . . 11:00 a.m. Even. Service 6:00 p.m. Even. Service 6:30 p.m. Wed. Even. Meeting 7:00 p.m

MT. VERNON ASSEMBLY

Even. Service 5:00 p.m.

Wed Prayer Service 6:30 p.m.

HURCH
Pastor
..11:00 a.m.
..5:00 p.m

LIFE
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LORCAS BAPTIST

CHURCH
Steve Watson, Pastor
Sunday School ... 9:45 a.m.
Morn. Worship ... 11:00 a.m.
Even. Worship ... 11:00 a.m.
Sunday School ... 9:45 a.m.
Morn. Worship ... 11:00 a.m.
Sunday School ... 10:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship ... 11:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship ... 11:00 a.m.
Wed Prayer Service 7:00 p.m.
Wed. Prayer Meet 7:30 p.m.
Wed. Prayer Meet 7:30 p.m.

INO BAPTIST CHURCH
Carry Winstead, Pastor

Linda Williams, Pastor
Sunday ... 11:00 a.m.
Wed. Even. ... 7:30 p.m.
Wed. Even. ... 7:30 p.m. Wed. Prayer Time . 5:30 p.m.
Wed. Bible Study . 6:00 p.m.
Morn. Worship . . 11:00 a.m.
Even. Service 6:00 p.m.
Wed. Bible Study . 6:00 p.m.
Cathedral of the Holy Spirit
Even. Service 6:00 p.m.
Wed. Brayer Time . 5:30 p.m.
Wed. Brayer Time . 5:30 p.m.
Sunday School . . . 9:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship . . 11:00 a.m.
Cathedral of the Holy Spirit
Even. Service 6:00 p.m.
Linda Williams, Pastor
OAK GROVE BAPTIST

Garry Winstead, Pastor
Sunday School . . . 8:45 a.m. NEW JERUSALEM
Morn. Worship . . 10:00 a.m. CHURCH OF GOD IN

KINSTON 1st BAPT
CHURCH
Heath Fountain, Pastor
Morn. Worship ... 10:00 a.m.
Sunday School ... 9:45 a.m.
Morn. Worship ... 11:00 a.m.
Disciple Train ... 5:00 p.m.
Even. Service ... 5:00 p.m.

Wed. Night Service 7:00 p.m.

NEW BROCKTON

CHURCH
Ed Russell, Pastor
Sunday School ... 9:45 a.m.
Morn. Worship ... 11:00 a.m.
Even. Worship ... 6:00 p.m.
Wed. Service ... 7:00 p.m.

PINEY GROVE ASSEMBLY OF GOD - SAMSON
Terry McCrummen Pastor

NEW EBENEZER

MT. GILEAD BAPTIST

Even. Worship . . . 6:00 p.m.

Bib Stud Wed . . . 6:00 p.m. CHURCH
Dewey Emfinger, Pastor
CHURCH
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CHURCH Sunday School . . . 10:00 a.m. Morn. Worship . . . 11:00 a.m. Sunday Evening . . . 5:00 p.m.

OF GOD CHURCH Brad Sasser, Pastor

Sunday School . . . 10:00 a.m.

Morn. Worship . . 11:00 a.m.
Sunday Evening . . . 6:00 p.m.
Wed. Service . . . 7:00 p.m.

MT. CALVARY BAPTIST

CHURCH

Randall Pearson, Pastor
Sunday School . . . 9:45 a.m.
Morn. Worship . . 11:00 a.m.
Even. Worship . . . 10:30 a.m.
Wed. Bible Study . . 6:00 p.m.

Morn. Worship . . . 10:30 a.m.
Wed. Bible Study . . 6:00 p.m.

ROETON BAPTIST
CHURCH

Wed. Prayer Meet . 6:00 p.m.

Wed. Prayer Meet . 6:00 p.m. MT. CALVARY BAPTIST
CHURCH
J. R. Parks, Pastor
Sunday School ... 9:45 a.m.
Morn. Worship ... 11:00 a.m.
Ist & 3rd Sundays

Wed. Prayer Meet . 6:00 p.m.

NEW GLORIOUS COGIC
James Starks Jr., Pastor
Sunday School ... 9:45 a.m.
Morn. Worship ... 11:00 a.m.
Even. Worship ... 11:00 a.m.
Even. Worship ... 11:00 a.m.
Wed. Prayer Meet . 6:00 p.m.
Wise MILL ASSEMBLY
OF GOD
Dustin Wisecarver, Pastor
Sunday School ... 10:00 a.m.
Worship ... 11:00 a.m.
Even. Worship ... 11:00 a.m.

Wed. Prayer Meet . 6:00 p.m.

OF GOD
Morn. Worship ... 11:00 a.m.

Even. Worship ... 11:00 a.m.

OF GOD

Outsin Wisecarver, Pastor
Sunday School ... 10:00 a.m.

Worship ... 11:00 a.m.

Even. Worship ... 11:00 a.m.

> SHILOH BAPTIST CHURCH Leon Fortune, Pastor
> Sunday School 9:45 a.m.
> Morn. Worship . . . 11:00 a.m.
>
> WOOTEN
> ASSEMBLY
> OF GOD
> CHURCH

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NEW HOPE BAPT THE CHURCH OF Lanny Shepard, Pastor Sunday School 9:00 a.m. Morn. Worship . . . 10:00 a.m.

CHURCH OF GOD IN THE WAY OF HOLINESS CHURCH, Elba Lorearl Flowers, Minister Max Reed, Minister

TRINITY BAPTIST

C.P. Davis, Pastor OLD TABERNACLE UNIT-ED METHODIST CHURCH VANDERBILT HOLINESS

Morn. Worship . . . 11:00 a.m Sunday School . . . 10:00 a.m PERDUE ASSEMBLY OF a.m. GOD
Sunday School . . . 9:45 a.m.
Morn. Worship . . 11:00 a.m.

More Worship 6:00 p.m.

VICTORIA BAPTIST VICTORIA BAPTIST

PINEY GROVE ASSEMBLY OF GOD - SAMSON
Terry McCrummen, Pastor
Sunday School 9:45 a.m.
Worn, Worship . . . 11:00 a.m.
Even. Service 5:45 p.m.
Wed. Worship 7:00 p.m. Sunday School ...9:45
Morn. Worship11:00
Eveniing Worship5:00
Wed. Worship7:00

Fven Service ...5:00 p.m.

Roy L. Turner, Pastor
Sunday School . . . 10:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship . . . 11:00 a.m.
Ken Wilson, Pastor WESTSIDE BAPTIST Even. Worship . . . 5:00 p.m. Wed. Service 6:30 p.m. Sunday School . . . 9:00 a.m. Morn. Worship . . . 10:00 a.m. ROCKY HEAD M.B. Wed. Prayer Meet . 6:30 p.m.

CHURCH A. R. Williams, Pastor WHITEWATER BAPTIST Sunday School 9:00 a.m. CHURCH
Morn. Worship . . . 10:30 a.m. Ucas Taylor, Pastor
Wed. Bible Study . . 6:00 p.m. Sunday School . . . 10:00 a.m. Morn. Worship . . . 11:00 a.m. Even. Service 5:00 p.m. ROETON BAPTIST Wed. Prayer Meet . 6:30 p. m.

Brad Sasser, Pastor
Sunday School . . . 10:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship . . . 11:00 a.m.
Even. Worship . . . 11:00 a.m.
Even. Worship 10:00 a.m.
Even. Worship 10:00 a.m.
Even. Worship 11:00 a.m.
Even. Service 4:00 p.m.
Wed. Prayer Meet . 6:30 p.m.

TAYLOR HILLCOMMUNITY
BAPTIST CHURCH BAPTIST CHURCH Sunday School 9:45 a.m.

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Cary Maulden, Pastor Sunday School . . . 9:45 a.m. Morn. Worship . . . 11:00 a.m.

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> IMPROVEMENTS in Elba, Alabama." All per- PATRICK

labor, materials, or other- /s/ Jodee R. Thompson Donate a car to the American "Notice is hereby given wise in connection with this Hon. Jodee R. Thompson Council of the Blind. FAST that Bullard Excavating, project should immediately Probate Judge, Coffee IN THE MATTER OF documents must be placed FREE PICKUP. 24-hour Inc., 13264 Eva Drive., notify the above named conresponse. Running or not. Andalusia, Alabama. 36420 tractor and the City Clerk of Richard W. Whittaker, At-

ed to the undersigned on

12/21,28&1/4-pd.

deceased having been grant- CASE NO. PC-2023-087 the 13th day of December Letters Testamentary of said Judge of Probate of Coffee Coordinator, at (334) 554-2023 by the Honorable deceased having been grant- County, Alabama, notice is 0002. "Notice is hereby given that Bullard Excavating, Inc., 13264 Eva Drive., Andalusia, Alabama, 36420 hereby given that all persons R. Thompson, Judge of the present the same within the all bids; to waive technicalihas completed all work on having claims against said Probate Court of Coffee time allowed by law or the ties or informalities; and to the MARTIN LUTHER estate are hereby required to County, Elba Division, same will be barred. KING JR. STREET present the same within the notice is hereby given that /s/ Katherine Elizabeth the high bidder if cause can RESURFACING time allowed by law or the all persons having claims Tutor DRAINAGE same will be barred.

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County Alabama, notice is (and their heirs and devises)

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CASE NO. PR-2023-218

Letters Testamentary on the Alabama:

Siding/Windows 40% Off. allowed by law or they will of the Code of Alabama, remove existing units and /s/ Shane Oates

SHANE A. OATES Personal Representative of must respond to the Petition metal doors

Jacuzzi Bath Remodel can COURT FOR COFFEE ting or denying the allega- locker room

Deceased

NOTICE OF APPOINT- the relief demanded by the read.

amount of water can lead Duty & Military Veterans! Specific Simmons f/k/a Ange- of general circulation and Proposal Form. To adhere line S. Daughtry, deceased, published in Coffee County, to the Alabama Immigration growth in your home. Our your Degree at CTI! Online
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Representative, on the 18th

Witness my hand this the E-Verify Memorandum of complete repairs to protect ing available for Veterans off install (for military, health day of December, 2023, by 12th day of December, 2023 Understanding, Affidavit your family and your home's & Families! To learn more, workers & 1st responders.) the Probate Judge, Coffee By: /s/ Amy L. Reaves value! Call 24/7: 1-877- call 866-475-1014 (M-F Call Erie Metal Roofs: 1-833- County, Alabama, notice is Clerk of the Circuit Court hereby given that all persons Coffee County, Alabama having claims against said 12/21,28,1/4&11-chg. estate are hereby required same will be barred.

300 E. Lee Street Enterprise, AL 36330 (334) 393-5146 12/21,28&1/4-pd.

IN THE PROBATE PETITIONER. **ELBA DIVISION**

IN RE: THE ESTATE APPOINTMENT OF KENNEY, DECEASED.

against said estate are here- Katherine Elizabeth Tutor, POSTED: /s/ BECKIE LYNN by required to present the Administrator same within time allowed

Wanda Sue Bowles 12/21,28&1/4-pd.

Notice of Lis Pendens OF COFFEE COUNTY, ADVERTISEMENT FOR ALABAMA 9000991.00 TYSON BEGLY

of said deceased having PARCEL #2 OF THE G.G. Brockton High School: UPDATE YOUR HOME been granted to Mary Ann HARRELL AND NED • All bidders must be a with Beautiful New Blinds Cooper, Administratrix on HARRELL PROPERTY, estimates make it convenient 2023, by the Honorable FERNANDEZ D. BLUE, • All bidders' home offices

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required to present the same Begly has filed a Petition ect. within time allowed by law to Quiet Title in Coffee • All bidders must attend Eliminate gutter cleaning or the same will be barred. County Circuit Court as a pre-bid meeting on Petitioner against the afore- Tuesday, January 9, 2024 mentioned respondents of at 2:00 p.m. in order to be said county, Alabama, in an eligible to submit a bid. a FREE LeafFilter estimate IN THE PROBATE equitable action pursuant to • Overall scope of work Chainsaws, ATV's, Etc. today. 20% off Entire COURT OF COFFEE Ala. Code 1975 § 6-6-560, includes but is not limited Repair Replacement Parts Purchase. Plus 10% Senior COUNTY, ALABAMA et seq., in the case of Begly to the following: for most all your outdoor & Military Discounts. Call ENTERPRISE DIVISION v. Parcel #2 of the G.G. ~ Install new drop ceil-Harrell and Ned Harrell ings Property, et al., Case No. ~ Repair and refinish Prepare for power outages DIANAH P. OATES, a/k/a 71-CV-2023-900091.00, existing walls today with a Generac Home DIANAH PATRICIA filed on August 29, 2023, ~ Remove existing light in the office of the Clerk of fixtures and utility compothe Circuit Court of Coffee nents; replace with LED County, Alabama.

Relief is sought against the ~ Install block walls in following described real select areas of each locker today to schedule a free quote. NOTICE TO FILE property located at 407 W. room; refinish with exist-Adams Street, Enterprise, ing wall colors

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THE ESTATE OF MAGALENE HALL marked "Security Doors a/k/a.

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install a new, custom bath COUNTY, ALABAMA tions in said Pe-tition, with ~ Replace existing glass same upon counsel for Coffee County Board of Tyson Begly at the address Education, 400 Reddoch Hill below. If you fail to respond Road, Elba, Alabama 36323 to the Petition within UNTIL 2:00 P.M. ON said time, a default may Tuesday, January 16, 2024,

> Plaintiff. This publication Bid must be submitted on of Alabama Immigration Compliance, and Alabama Immigration Compliance Contract. Bid submission packets must be name, address, phone number and general contractor's license number. All required in a sealed envelope clearly Bid" TO BE OPENED AT 2:00 P.M TUESDAY,

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decedent having been grant- mation regarding this bid ed to the undersigned on the and/or the pre-bid meeting, 8th day of December, 2023, please contact Mr. DeWayne by Jodee R. Thompson, Hamilton, Facilities

> award the bid to other than be documented.

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SPORTS NEWS

Views From

The Pressbox By Ricky Mularz, Sports Editor

Our youngest grandson Cannon got back from a begin a new winning streak weeklong trip to Orlando over the weekend and while I heading into the holidays. have my doubts he will remember anything from his first Following is a recap of trip to the Magic Kingdom and Universal Studios, after last week's action: looking at all the pictures his Mom made there is also no doubt he had a great time riding in his stroller, getting on a Elba 29 Wicksburg 27

else? I bet the whole family was glad to get back home!

For what it is worth....

*** The Elba Tigers continued to pick up one win only 10-seconds left on 16-5 advantage, while a week and at times looks like they are on the verge of turning into a true area contender. The Tigers have great Wicksburg Lady Panthers. quarter and drained a long team speed, play aggressive on defense and at times can

McCollough scored eight three-pointer as the Lady drain threes with no problem, while at other times seem points in the first quarter Tigers carried a 26-13 lead to forget where the goals are and can't buy a basket. Elba to help the Lady Tigers in at the half. Whitfield has been really busy on the court since football ended and take a slim 10-9 lead, and poured in 13 points in the I know the players have to be a little tired. However, I still Elba stayed in front in the third quarter and hit a pair believe the best is yet to come and loo for the Tigers to second quarter to carry a of three-pointers as the

*** The Elba Lady Tigers picked up two wins last week half. The Lady Panthers cut lead to 46-23, and the Elba and no doubt have one of the top teams in the southern the lead to 24-22 heading reserves came in late to part of the state. The Lady Tigers have good height, play into 9 the final stanza and mop up the win. aggressive on defense and have one of the state's top three -point lead. However, scored 25 points to lead scorers in A'Lyric Whitfield. When things are clicking it the Lady Tigers scored the Elba, while also scoring can be fun to watch the girls in action, but there is still game's final five points to for the Lady Tigers were something missing, and while I know the season is still pull off the wild win. young, the girls need to find that piece of the puzzle and Ny'Asia McCollough McCollough 8, Ana put it all back together.

*** The high school basketball season entered the Elba, while also scoring for 3 and Alayvia Stinson 2. holiday stretch last week and unless I miss my guess we the Lady Tigers were Ana Samaria Womack scored 8 as fans are in for quite a run as the teams head toward Caldwell 4, Tajah Purvis points to lead Opp. tournament time. On the boy's side, Zion Chapel just keeps on winning and gains more and more confidence every time they get on the court, while Brantley may be much better than any know and appear to be the team to beat hardwood twice last week Henderson 5, Brady in the 1A ranks in the area. New Brockton is much better in high school basketball Johnson 4 and Ty Sieving than its record indicates and is just waiting to take off on action and posted one 2. Gabe Glover scored 20 a winning streak, and Kinston plays hard and always plays win and one loss as they points and Brodie Medlen to win, no matter what the scoreboard may say. Over with continued to grow as a team added 16 for the Panthers. the girls, Kinston has been a surprise team all season and heading into the holidays. is a team no one on its schedule can overlook, while New Following is a recap of Elba 57 Opp 43 Brockton can beat anyone on any given night, Brantley last week's action: has the type of team no one really wants to play, and Zion Chapel is still working hard and getting better week by

*** The reclassification of high school athletic teams across the state always create interesting stories and last the Wicksburg Panthers. upcoming changes to its seven classes and various regions. anything to drop in the first quarter to help the Tigers In Class 7A, Dothan and Enterprise will again face long quarter and trailed 11-4 race out to a 21-6 lead, road trips against their region foes with visits to Auburn, after one period of play, and while Ty Sieving hit a Opelika, Phenix City, Smiths Station, Montgomery JAG while Cody Gray did hit a trio of three-pointers in and Montgomery Carver/. However, the folks at Prattville pair of three-pointers in the the second quarter as the certainly had no post-reclassification party after the Lions second quarter, Wicksburg Tigers stretched their lead were moved to the north into the region with such powers as Thompson, Hoover and Hewitt-Trussville. In Class 6A, Rehobeth fans will need to buy a road map after the Rebels made the jump up in class and will also need to purchase a gas card with rebates since the closest region 36-30, and even though foe will now be Russell County, which is 92 miles from Gray scored nine points in Rehobeth. Other region opponents include Montgomery the final stanza and Alvin Park Crossing, Montgomery Percy Julian, Montgomery Henderson and Cameron points and Alvin Henderson Pike Road, Stanhope Elmore and Wetumpka. In Class 5A, Gray both connected from there will be no rest for the weary as Eufaula, Carroll, Charles Henderson, Greenville and Headland were joined in the region by the past two 4A state champions in Andalusia and Montgomery Catholic. All the Bulldogs from Andalusia have accomplished in the past two seasons is one state title (2022) and a 24-3 record, while in the past three seasons the Knights from Catholic have lofted one state title (2023) and posted a remarkable 41-2 record. In Class 4A, the biggest story involving area teams was that five teams that a year ago were in the same class in 3A are now in the same region in 4A, with Opp, Ashford, New Brockton, Pike County and Straughn all making the move up. In Class 3A, three wiregrass teams will find new region to show improvement every and trailed 14-7 after one foes from the capital city as Houston Academy, Northside night out. Methodist, Wicksburg and Slocomb now find themselves The Elba Tigers raced out the Bobcats took charge in in the region with Montgomery private schools Alabama to an early 23-3 lead and the third quarter to stretch Christian, Trinity and Montgomery Academy, as well held on late to escape with their lead to 39-24 and saw as Prattville Christian. In Class 2A there were very few a 36-28 road win over the a late rally fall short in the changes as far as length of travel or new opponents, but Wicksburg Panthers. The ten-point loss. Zion Chapel did move into a new region that includes 2A Tigers owned a big 21-3 powers Highland Home, Goshen and Luverne, as well as lead after one quarter of play newcomer Pike Lib, and perennial bottom feeders Calhoun and appeared headed for an and Barbour County. In Class 1A, it was simply more of lead to 23-3 early in the Levi Martin 6, Jordan the same as Elba now finds itself in an eight-team region second quarter. However, Hammonds 3 and Skylar with the loss of Houston County, which moved up to Wicksburg refused to go Mitchell 2. Talan Wicker 2A. The changes across the state will no doubt crate new away and rallied in the scored 11 points to lead rivalries for any teams, while locally it means Elba and its second half to throw a scare Opp. fellow region foes will play three non-region opponents into the Tigers before Elba instead of two, as in years past.

*** In closing.... The New Year often brings with it a on the 36-28 win. mixed bag of emotions and memories. While many may Javante Griggs poured have celebrated their best year ever, many others may in 24 points to lead Elba, have seen it as a time of unknowing and anxiety. The New while Easton McKelvy Year always brings with it hope for things to be better 2, Johnathan Edwards 2, and for our wounds and aches to begin to heal. One thing Cassidy Carpenter 2 and is for certain, we are never alone, and through prayer we Ledell Ousley 1. Lewis are connected to the one who created us and wants us davenport scored 8 points to experience blessings in the future. In this season of to lead Wicksburg. transition from one year to the next, may God watch over you and bless you abundantly.

HAPPYAND BLESSED NEW YEAR!

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Elba Lady Tigers pick up two wins

few rides and getting to see all the attractions. Know what Elba's Ny'Asia Lady Bobcats. McCollough hit a late A'Lyric Whitfield scored

rallied late to open up a A'Lyric Whitfield

scored 20 points to lead Caldwell 3, Kendra Juarez

The Elba Lady Tigers 2, Kendra Juarez 2 and continued to pile up the Alayvia Stinson 1. Tylaya wins last week as they Lingo scored 9 points and claimed one win on the Bella Sellers added 7 to

The Elba Lady Tigers took command early and rolled to a big 52-31 home court win over the Opp

three-pointer to tie the nine points and Ny'Asia score and Lady Tiger McCollough added four teammate Kendra Juarez points in the first quarter hit the game-winner with as Elba jumped out to a the clock in an exciting Tajah Robinson scored 29-27 road win over the five points in the second 19-15 advantage in at the Lady Tigers upped their

Tigers drop Opp 57-43

Wicksburg 56 Elba 51

The Elba Tigers saw a gallant second half rally fall short in a 56-51 road loss to

never lost command and carried a 29-17 lead in at the half. Cody Gray scored five half. The Tigers cut into the Panthers lead in the third quarter and pulled within behind the arc, it was too little, too late as Wicksburg Cody Gray 8, Jamal Siler held on to hand Elba the 8, Cameron Gray 6, Keaton

Cody Gray scored 18 points to lead Elba, while Alan Jones scored 12

The Elba Tigers jumped ahead early and never looked back in an impressive 57-43 home court win over the Opp

Alvin Henderson scored to 37-15 by the end of the points in the third quarter as Elba maintained its big lead, and the Tiger reserves came in late to mop up the

Ty Sieving scored 15 added 13 to lead the Tigers, while also scoring were Poole 2, Emmanuel Cooks 2 and Brady Johnson 1. Cameron Gray scored points to lead the Bobcats.

Elba JV pop Panthers

The Elba Tiger junior varsity played two games Opp Bobcats and dropped a last week and split the two hard fought 44-34 decision. contests as they continued Elba got off to a slow start

was able to close the door

added 5, Sylar Mitchell

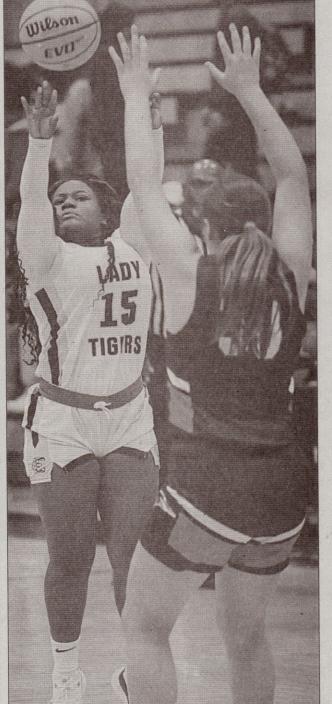
The Elba Tigers hosted the quarter of play, watched as

Scoring for the Tigers were Ky'Avian Stoudemire 8, Johnathan Edwards 8, Javante Griggs 7,





Elba, Alabama Chamber of Commerce



Elba Lady Tiger Alayvia Stinson (15) shoots over a defender in a recent win. The Lady Tigers will compete this week in the third annual Pea River Holiday Classic, at

(Photo by BC Sports Photography)

Elba High to host 3rd annual Pea River Holiday Cage Classic

Elba High School will host the 3rd annual 'Pea River Holiday Classic' basketball tournament with a total of 16 teams scheduled to compete over three days in a

The tournament will include eight boys teams and eight girls teams, and will be held on Thursday, Dec. 8 through Saturday, Dec. 30.

The boys bracket will include Brantley (4-1), New Brockton (5-8), T.R. Miller (4-4), Zion Chapel (10-3), Luverne (4-4), Pleasant Home (10-3), Elba (4-5) and Pike Liberal Arts (4-6). Favorites in the eight-team boys division include T.R. Miller, a 4A power that received votes in the most recent sports writers poll; Zion Chapel, ranked 6th in Class 2A in the statewide poll; Pleasant Home, ranked 4th in Class 1A in the poll; and, Brantley, which received votes in the poll.

The girls bracket will include Straughn (7-2), Enterprise (13-1), Northridge (9-4), T.R. Miller (7-0), Luverne (3-5), Pike County (0-4), Elba (6-2) and Pike Liberal Arts (0-9). Favorites in the eight-team girls division include 6A power Northridge, of Tuscaloosa, coached by former Elba standout Jake Carnley; T.R. Miller, ranked 9th in Class 4A; Straughn, a 3A power that received votes in the statewide sports writers poll; and, Elba, ranked third in Class 1A.

Following is the complete tournament bracket: BOYS DIVISION Thursday, Dec. 28

10:30 - (Game 1) Brantley vs. New Brockton 1:30 – (Game 2) T.R. Miller vs. Zion Chapel 4:30 – (Game 3) Luverne vs. Pleasant Home 7:30 – (Game 4) Elba vs. Pike Liberal Arts Friday, Dec. 29

10:30 – (Game 5) Loser game 1 vs. Loser game 2 1:30 – (Game 6) Loser game 3 vs. Loser game 4 4:30 – (Game 7) Winner game 1 vs. Winner game 2 7:30 – (Game 8) Winner game 3 vs. Winner game 4 Saturday, Dec. 30

10:30 - Loser game 5 vs. Loser game 6 1:30 – Winner game 5 vs. Winner game 6 4:30 – Loser game 7 vs. Loser game 8 7:30 – Winner game 7 vs. Winner game 8

GIRLS DIVISION

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SPORTS NEWS

Only a few changes for Elba in AHSAA reclassification

Board of Control unanimously approved the current 56 in Class 5A, 62 in Class 4A, 60 in Class 3A, 60 in seven-classification system for championship play for Class 2A, and 62 in Class 1A. the 2024-25 and 2025-26 school years. The seven-class "More than 190,000 student-athletes are expected

again for all sports. In accordance with the AHSAA constitution and Director Alvin Briggs. by-laws, the AHSAA Central Board of Control manages championship play and classification. Member schools are for their dedicated efforts," Briggs said. "As always, it reclassified every two years. The high schools are currently was a difficult job, but everyone worked together to find divided into seven classifications (1A, 2A, 3A, 4A, 5A, the best solution as we move forward."

(ADM) figures furnished by the State Department of Education for public schools for grades 9 through 11 Reclassification by enrollment data is located on the plus eighth-grade hold-back students. Member private home page of www.ahsaa.com schools report that same data directly to the AHSAA. An While the reclassification brings with it both excitement 10% of private school teams.

7A. The other classes break down as follows: plus two associate members for a total of 420 total..

school year, based on the number of schools declaring to participate in a sport for the upcoming 2023-24 school year. Also included for the first time are alignments for Girls' Flag Football as a championship sport

determined following completion of those championship

sports programs may include two or more classes in a County (3-7), Geneva (3-7) and New Brockton (3-7). division. The alignments for each sport in a class are

AHSAA Central Board of Control.

The 2024-25 and 25-26 football alignment places the 3A to 2A

The Alabama High School Athletic Association Central 32 largest high schools in Class 7A and 57 in Class 6A,

system, which began in 2014-15, was approved once to participate in AHSAA sports activities during the upcoming classification period," AHSAA Executive

"I want to thank the Central Board and AHSAA staff

6A and 7A) for competition in championship programs. The reclassification alignment data for each sport Classification is based on Average Daily Membership and the private school competitive balance chart can be found at the following link located at www.ahsaa.com.

index of 1.35 is used to determine the enrollment figure and anxiety for many coaches and fans, the only change for classifying private school members. Each private in Class 1A, Region 2 was the movement of Houston school student counts 1.35 for classification purposes. County into Class 2A. Only three of the eight teams in the A competitive balance success factor is also applied to region posted a losing record last season, which will be private school sports teams which affects approximately led by defending region champion Elba (13-1), Georgiana (10-2), Brantley (8-5), Florala (7-4), McKenzie (5-5), The new classification lists 32 schools in Class Kinston (2-8), Red Level (2-8) and Pleasant Home (1-9)

The make-up of class 2A, Region 3 did see some Class 6A (57); Class 5A (62); Class 4A (66); changes, including the addition of Zion Chapel and Pike Class 3A 65); Class 2A (62); and Class 1A (76); Lib. Only three teams in the seven-team region posted a losing record a year ago, which will be led by defending Alignments were also released for fall sports, which region champion Highland Home (10-2), Goshen (9-3), recently completed championship play for the current Luverne (7-4), Zion Chapel (5-5), Pike Lib (3-6), Calhoun (3-8) and Barbour County (1-9).

One of the biggest changes across the state as the result of last week's re-classification came in Class 4A, Region 2, where five former 3A teams made the move up to help Alignments for winter and spring sports will be form an eight-team region. Another interesting fact is that only one of the eight teams in the region posted a winning record, which will be led by Straughn (10-2), Pike County While most alignments are for seven classes, some (4-5), Ashford (4-6), Opp (4-7), Daleville (3-7), Dale

Area teams that made changes in class included: published in the online AHSAA Sports Book each year. Rehobeth, up from 5A to 6A; Andalusia, up from 4A to Reclassification, according to the AHSAA Constitution 5A; W.S. Neal, up from 3A to 4A; T.R. Miller, down from and By-Laws, is conducted every two years by the 4A to 3A; Slocomb, down from 4A to 3A; Wicksburg, up from 2A to 3A; and, Providence Christian, down from

2024-2026 FOOTBALL REGIONS

CLASS 1A, REGION 2

Brantley, Elba, Florala, Georgiana, Kinston, McKenzie, Pleasant Home, Red Level

CLASS 2A, REGION 3

Barbour County, Calhoun, Goshen, Highland Home, Luverne, Pike Lib, Zion Chapel

CLASS 4A, REGION 2

Ashford, Dale County, Daleville, Geneva, New Brockton, Opp, Pike County, Straughn

CLASS 1A REGION 2		
Team	'23 Record	ADA
Brantley	8-5	114
Elba	13-1	. 114.5
Florala	7-4	113.95
Georgiana	10-2	94.75
Kinston	2-8	115.95
McKenzie	5-5	109.7
Pleasant Home	1-9	119.3
Red Level	2-8	106.5
ADA Average Daily Attendance		

ADA - Average Daily Attendance

CLASS 2A REGION 3 '23 Record ADA 162.05 1-9 **Barbour County** 149.95 3-8 Calhoun 189.6 9-3 Goshen 10-2 199.35 Highland Home 160.2 7-4 Luverne 140.67 3-6 Pike Lib 186.15 5-5 Zion Chapel

ADA - Average Daily Attendance

CLASS 4A REGION 2

4-6

3-7

3-7

4-5

10-2

ADA - Average Daily Attendance

2024-2026 VOLLEYBALL

AREA ALIGNMENT

Brantley, Elba, McKenzie, Red Level

Emmanuel Christian, Florala, Kinston,

Goshen, Luverne, Pike Lib, Zion Chapel

New Brockton, Opp, Pike County, Straughn

Ashford

Daleville

Dale County

New Brockton

Pike County

CLASS 1A, AREA 2

CLASS 1A, AREA 3

CLASS 2A, AREA 3

CLASS 4A, AREA 3

Pleasant Home

'23 Record

ADA

306.45

316.95

287.5

298.15

347.35

297.45

302.4

321.05

High School Basketball

Hoop Highlights



Zion Chapel Rebel Chase Thorman (25) keeps an eye on an opposing ball handler. (Photo by Amanda Clark)

Zion Chapel 47 Ariton 46

Zion Chapel's Mason Stuart put the Rebels on top with a driving lay-up with 16-seconds left on the clock and then blocked a shot at the buzzer to help lift the Rebels to an exciting 47-46 win over the Ariton Purple Cats. Stuart scored 14 points and grabbed 14 rebounds to lead the Rebels, while Jacob Chestnut added 12 points and Slade Grantham scored 9. Ian Senn scored 20 points to lead

New Brockton 61 Kinston 39

The New Brockton Gamecocks returned to its winning ways with a big 61-39 victory over the Kinston Bulldogs. Josiah Peterson scored 13 points to lead the Gamecocks, while Yassiah Rousseau added 12 and Kenyon Kittan scored 8. Michael Thompson scored 11 points to lead the Bulldogs.

Graceville 54 New Brockton 51

The New Brockton Gamecocks battled for all four quarters in a 54-51 loss to the Graceville (FL.) Tigers. Baylon Foster scored 14 points and Yassiah Rousseau added 11 to lead the Gamecocks.

GIRLS:

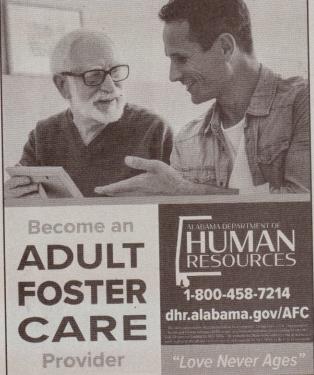
Ariton 51 Zion Chapel 8

The Zion Chapel Lady Rebels fell behind early and never recovered in a 51-8 loss to the Ariton Lady Cats. Maciliegh Bragg scored 18 points and had 7 steals to lead the Lady Cats, while Lizzy Woodfaulk and Nya Allen both added 8 points and 5 steals.

Kinston 51 New Brockton 29

The Kinston Lady Bulldogs rolled to an impressive 51-29 win over the New Brockton Lady Gamecocks. Kaley Norris scored 3 points and connected on 19 of 20 free throws to lead the Lady Bulldogs, while Lilli Sumblin and Lauren Norris both pulled down 10 rebounds. Gabby Eubanks scored 10 points to lead New Brockton.

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COMMUNITY NEWS

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Absentee voting applications for Alabama's March 5th Primary Elections available beginning Jan. 10, 2024

March 5th Primary Elec- 36351. The physical loca- Day.

COFFEE COUNTY COMMISSION

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ager's office in New Brock- in person to the Absentee that has at least 10 hours, Stated Armed Forces or is similarly qualified to vote absentee according to the Federal Uniformed and Overseas Citizens Absentee Voting Act.

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Coffee County Probate Judge Jodee R. Thompson invites voters to visit the election website: www. coffeecountyvotes.com While there, one can:

*Register to vote *Check your registration status

*View a sample ballot *Find your polling location

*View the offices up for elections *View a current list of

elected officials *Apply to become a poll worker

*Apply for an absentee ballot, and much more!

> ATTEND THE **CHURCH** OF YOUR CHOICE THIS AND **EVERY** SUNDAY!

Combined Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Change in Fund Balance All Governmental Fund Types, Proprietary Fund Types and Expendable Trust Funds For the Year Ended September 30, 2023 FUND TYPES **GOVERNMENTAL FUND TYPES** ***TOTALS*** FUND TYPE EXPENDABLE DEBT TRUST ENTERPRISE REVENUES 9,615,160 8,799,970 815,190 TAXES 88,538 88,538 LICENSES & PERMITS 11,475,581 9,132,938 2,342,643 INTERGOVERNMENTAL REVENUE 2,008,817 230,040 9,264,424 36.256 11,539,537 CHARGES FOR SERVICE 1,943,660 735,509 648,932 MISCELLANEOUS 13,975,477 10,827,100 9,787,883 72,216 34,882,876 **EXPENDITURES** 8,190,616 5,079,863 GENERAL GOVERNMENT 6,275,641 670,000 5,605,641 PUBLIC SAFETY 7,736,294 7,738,294 HIGHWAYS AND ROADS 9.233.826 9,233,826 SANITATION 20,500 20,500 HEALTH PUBLIC WELFARE 21,500 **CULTURE AND RECREATION** 21,500 71,855 EDUCATION 71,855 CAPITAL OUTLAY 1,076,541 2,032,164 1,285,045 4,393,750 DEBT SERVICE 3,017,389 PRINCIPAL RETIREMENT 798,713 60,612 151,089 488,806 254,016 21,089 INTEREST FEES AND OTHER CHARGES 2,500 2,500 INTERGOVERNMENTAL 153,000 153,000 TOTAL EXPENDITURES 13,652,818 12,095,501 38,172,366 FYCESS REVENUE OVER (2,307,618) (241,524) (3,509,690) 322,659 (435,108) (UNDER) EXPENDITURES (848, 101) OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES) 1,067,555 1,067,555 LOAN PROCEEDS BOND PROCEEDS 474,847 160,710 312,111 SALE OF CAPITAL ASSETS 2,026 PROCEEDS FROM INCEPTION OF CAPITAL LEASE OPERATING TRANSFERS IN 2,119,943 1,102,000 435,106 200,000 3.857.049 (520,000) (3,857,049) OPERATING TRANSFERS OUT (3,337,049) OTHER USES (1,215,080) 1,542,402 TOTAL OTHER FINANCING SOURCES 742,710 1.579,666 435,106 EXCESS REVENUE AND OTHER FINANCING SOURCES OVER (UNDER) OTHER EXPENDITURES AND OTHER FINANCING (892,421) (105,391) [727,952] (241,524) (1,967,289) FUND BALANCE - 09/30/2022 894,190 4,348,597 756,979 6,681,982

1,769 Detailed statements of individual fund revenue and expenditures are available for public inspection at

4,243,208

the County Commission Office during regular hours Monday-Friday. The totals are captioned "Memorandum Only" to indicate that they are presented merely to aid financial analysis. Information

in this statement does not present the County's financial position or results of operations in conformity

with generally accepted accounting principles; neither is data comparable to a consolidation of county funds; that is interfund elimination has not been used in totaling these figures. These

figures represent unaudited data.

FUND BALANCE- ENDING 09/30/2023

STATEMENT OF INDEBTEDNESS AS OF SEPTEMBER 30, 2023

2012 Refunding Loans Payable to Banks Landfill Loans Payable to Banks Roll-Off Loans Payable to Banks Solid Waste Loans Payable to Banks

1,608,181 8,767,212 4,525,264 33,166 635,548

4,714,694

(45,736) 515,455

Total Indebtedness

15,569,371

Rod Morgan **County Administrator**